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Capture Fortress Town and Decrease Toward Koyno in

Press Toward Kovno in March on Wilna.

CZAR'S ARMY SAFE, EXPERTS BELIEVE

Failure of Effort to Cut Off Russian Main Guard Predicted.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Aug. 10 .- The German forces have taken the strong fortress town of Lomza. They are likely to take Kovno within another forty-eight hours, and the Russians believe they will take Wilna, according to despatches received from Petrograd to-day.

This would give them the Warsaw-Petrograd railway at a point to the rear of the Russian armies, according to the latest official statement from the Russian capital, but the railroad has been open for twenty-four hours since then and the main bodies of troops fighting to the south, at Lomza, Ostrow, Ostrolenka and Ossowice will have had me to escape.

Military observers here admit that the Germans are at last succeeding in their drives to intercept the two great railways from Warsaw to Petrograd and nificent defensive actions of the Russian rear guard all along the line have caused the enemy to fail in the great objective, cutting off the Russlan main guard.

It is more than likely that they will get at least 100,000 prisoners out of the fortresses which have been cut of in this defensive fighting, but this number will be only a drop in the bucket. These prisoners may be sacrificed to save more than thirty times their num- which had been accumulating for a week ber of seasoned troops who have been beaten by superior artillery alone.

Germans Tell of Gains. The official German statement issued

Beilin to-day is as follows: On the front in the district of Kovno attack was pushed forward, continuous fighting, nearer the of forts. During these engages we took about 100 more Rus-

ns we took about 100 more Rus-n prisoners and four cannon. The tro-ps of the army of Gen. leke broke through the line of for s Lomza yesterday afternoon and ook fort No. 4 by storm. At daybreak to-day the fortified town was ied. South of Lomza the highis still being held by the enemy

Our troops have reached the Bug from Bojany, west of Mrok, to the nouth of the river. Since August 7 twenty-three officers and 10,100 mer

East of Warsaw the army of Prince nt near the Stanislavof-Novo Minsk

pursuing the enemy, has reached the strict north and northeast of Gele-ow. This army joined the left wing the group of armies of Field Mar-

On the front from Ostrow to the re driven back toward their main

asunder. It is said also in Petroremoved and half of its population has ted to leave. The other half will

has effected a junction with the army of carrying biplanes will be shipped as soon Zielchow, about thirty miles south west of Siedlee. This dooms the Mos-cow railway, but the capture will be barren, for all bridges on the line are

tht to have been destroyed and all g stock has been removed. official Russian statement of to of Lomza, but refers to desperate

ig on the road to that town. The the direction of Riga on Monday we repulsed several German athand to hand fighting, al-

sh they were supported by heavy

After fighting on the same night of the next day toward Dwinsk and the region or Schoenberg, Poneck and Vilkomir the Germans beto retire, leaving 100 prisoners, veral machine guns and some am-

the Narew desperate fighting nues on the roads to Lomza, On the left bank of the Vistula our tillery at Novo Georgievsk repulsed

erman attacks. Toward Lublin and Lukow the Aus-o-Germans on Monday delivered attacks, which we repulsed, despite

pulsed an attack made under cover of

Asphyxiating gases.
On the Dniester the Austrians on Sunday made an attack at the mouth of the Strira. The fighting continues.
There is a lack of definite information

have occupied the northern position of the defences surrounding the fortress.

AUSTRIANS TAKE 2,800.

Vienna Reports Capture of Bridgehend From Russians.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS VIENNA, via Amsterdam, Aug. 10.— The following statement was issued at army headquarters to-night:

The pursuit of the enemy in his re-treat from the Vistula region continues. The troops under Gen. von Kovesz have reached the region south-east of Zelachov, followed by portions of Archduke Ferdinand's army, which is advancing across the lower Wieprz. The line of the Wieprz near Kock also was crossed at several places.

Further east on the Bug our allies occupied the enemy's hill positions. Near Czernika, on the south bank of the Dniester, the regular Landwehr regiments from central Austria and coastal region captured a bridge head which the Russians had stub-bornly defended. The Russians left behind twenty-two officers and 2,800 men in our hands. We captured six machine guns and a large quantity of war material.

The Bug-Zlota-Lipa front is un-

GERMAN FLEET REPUISED.

Made Three Attempts to Force En try Into Gulf, of Riga. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Wednesday) .- The newspapers this morning carry the most meagre accoun (i of the German naval attack at the mouth of the Gulf of

Moscow, respectively, but they are just fleet was repulsed as it was trying to force its way through the twenty-seven of New York, an ex-Police Commissioner mile passage separating Oesel from the mainland. The Russian ships which took York. Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, as strongly of the opinion that the mag- force its way through the twenty-seven part in the engagement were entirely unscathed and the Russians still hold Oesel

The object of the Germans, it is sup-

The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News describes the attacks as in-tended to support the German left in resisting the Russian weight of numbers between Riga and Kovno. The land operations ceased while the ships tried to clear the way by the Irben Straits. thirty miles wide, which, however, had been mined. The Germans made three attempts, but were driven back with

The evacuation of Riga continues, ac-

NEW CURTISS BIPLANE TESTED FOR WAR WORK

Buclow, has occupied one of the encir-cling forts of Lomza, which means the wedge which ultimately will rend the city asunder. It is said also in Petro-

grad that the municipal and historical passengers and again soared to an alti-treasures in Lomza have already been treasures in Lomza have already been flights he broke the altitude records for

have been shipped to the Allies from the Curtiss plant, and the 200 new gunner

DENIES U-21 SANK LUSITANIA.

apt.-Lieut. Hersing Was Not Present, Says Cologne Paper.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN. BERLIN. Aug. 10.—The Cologne Ga-zette publishes an article denying that the destroyer of the Lusitania was the U-21 and her commander Capt.-Lieut.

The article is published as an answer a wireless message from Poldhu, Cornwall, purporting to reproduce an article published in La Guerre Sociale of Paris, in which Hersing's conduct at and

after the liner was struck is described with great detail.

The Cologne Gazette characterizes this article as a miserably and clumsily of Lake Champlain just standing around constructed lie. It says:
"It is a lie as to two torpedoes being

It has been ascertained that the Lusitania was torn asunder by the ig-nition of munitions of war aboard. Neither the U-21 nor Capt.-Lieut. Hersing had anything to do with the sink-ing of the ship. Hersing was not lying off Liverpool on May 2, but long before

Day's British Casualties 903. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. London, Aug. 10.—The day's casualty list for all fronts gives 39 officers, of whom 10 were killed, and 86 men, of whom 175 were killed.

ROOKIES LEARN WAR IN PLATTSBURG MUD

Mitchel, Hustle Luggage as Exercise.

ARMY OFFICERS PRAISE

New York Has 650 Men in the Six Companies at Business Men's Camp.

PLATTSBURG, Aug. 10 .- From all along the Atlantic seaboard and from as far indoors as Iowa and Kansas professional and business men numbering 1,007 by sundown to-night had come to the businesslike instruction camp on the outskirts of Plattsburg, a camp that is businesslike, even if its name as white canvas signs strung above the brown canvas tents say simply, is the "military instruction camp.

The Mayor of New York had along about daybreak become Private J. P. Mitchel; Alderman Henry H. Curran. high up the line back home in the list of possible acting Mayors, had become H. H. before noon. Private Bob Bacon is the same gentleman who not so long ago was Robert Bacon, United States Ambassador to France.

And very, very long before sunse their hands were blistered, all these one time celebrities who for four weeks to come will at their own expense eat the camp chow, and like it; hustle baggage, erect tents, clean rifles, make their own beds and hike and drill, and hike and drill, and hike and drill, drill, drill.

meagre account mouth of the Gulf or attack at the mouth of the Gulf or Riga. They have nothing except the bare bulletin issued last night.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent than military knowledge, two sons and a son-in-law of an ex-President of the United States, the Collector of the Port Baltimore, Richmond and other cities: magazine editors, an ex-Lieutenant-Governor of the State, the former Mexican Charge d'Affaires, an ex-Governor of Porto Rico are learning to obey miliposed, was to obtain a free passage for the transport of troops and further efstreet might belong to heaven know

who.

The ranking General of the United States army was about camp all day and will sleep in a tent on the field to-night just as if he were merely a Mayor of New York.

Guns Salute Governor.

The day had hardly got under way— the rain had, however—when the Gover-nor of the State himself was on the ing ahead of them over the wet grass, were reviewed by Gov. Whitman and en. Leonard Wood, with State Super-tendent of Prisons Riley decorating e immediate background.

privat Mayors and Lieutenant-Governors and Ambassadors might be they seemed

camp commander; Capt. Johnston, Capt. John R. Kelly, who put Mayor Mit— Private Mitchel and his buddles of Company A through their paces to-day so far that they didn't have time even for a swim in the wide lake a few feet to down the hill, and other army officers to flights he broke the altitude records for two and three passengers.

The biplane is a type of the first three what is technically known as pounding Advancing Toward Wilns.

Advancing Toward Wilns.

Fifty miles to the east is Wilns, an apportant railroad city of 15,000 inabiliants. The principal railway is the piant as one in an order 12 200 to be delivered as soon as possible to the fact that the sleeping tents, cots and bedding had been brought here from velop 160 horse-power, and is known as Model R.

bitants. The principal railway is the trograd line, but there also are lines Libau, to Germany and the Polish lies. The city has libraries and mustis, the contents of all of which are line sing moved. It is on the direct line from friendly, slower flying machines.

Already 300 military tractor biplanes hopefully again to-morrow, however. His he August Schoosh, and the contents of the count. In fact up to this late hour of writing the august specific and for the count. In fact up to this late hour of writing the specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents has yet been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents have been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents have been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents have been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents have been able to find a grown file specific sorty one drawback that threatens to grow serious—none of the war correspondents have been able to find a grown f name probably will be August Schoosh, but this detail has not been entirely settled as yet. Schoosh is satisfactory to everybody, but one group is still holding

Officially the day began for the half hundred or so particularly enthusiastic military rookies who had got here on Monday with a first call for reveille at 5:45 this morning. It may be contended by some that there "ain't not such hour no place," but there was at the military instruction camp this morning. In fact the day so far as Private John Purroy Mitchel, Private Bill Brown Meloney, who is the Mayor's bunkie; Private Dudley Field Malone and one of two others were concerned was begun at 5:30 A. M.

out for Otto as being preferable to Au-

PLANS POSTAL SKYSCRAPERS.

Seeks to Cut Expenditures.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.-Byron R. Newton, acting Secretary of the Treasury, is preparing to put into practice Notables, Including Mayor a new plan for economising in expenditures for public buildings. Instead of building outward and paying high prices for valuable city real estate, he will build skyward.

The first experiment will probably be made in Chicago. Congress appropriated \$1,750,000 for a new post office site in that city. Mr. Newton estimated that the appropriation would be only about one-fourth of what would be necessary to purchase sufficient ground if the new post office were to be constructed after the prevailing plan.

Mr. Newton finally prevailed on the Postmaster-General to appoint a joint committee of experts from the Treasur; and the Post Office Departments, and this committee has just submitted a report on the Chicago plan, which provides for a ten story post office building to occupy one block in the heart of the business district.

SAVES BABY FROM TRAIN.

Courageous Motorman Snatche Child From Deadly Peril.

The presence of mind and courage of James Lavelle, a motorman on one of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Bath Beach trains, last night saved the life of an unidentified little girl, 4 years old, who mistook the space between the rails of the West End line for a promenade and left the sidewalk to walk there.

Lavelle was taking his train from Coney Island, loaded with women and about forty feet ahead. The trains at this spot run on the surface of the street Lavelle blew his whistle, but the child apparently did not hear. He jammed on the emergency brakes and then re-alizing that he could not stop in time, ran to the front platform and reaching forward, caught hold of the little girl. He dropped her to one side. She es-caped with only a w slight bruises. The police of the Fourth avenue sta-

SOLDIER OF REGIMENT OFT ANNIHILATED BACK

tion are trying to find the child's par-

Wounded Five Times While in France Serving With the Famous 46th.

year's service at the front, Leon Graux force in Mexican waters at this time, ground, while seventeen guns roared a salute and infantry, engineers and of 347 East Fifty-seventh street resailing cavalry of the regulars, their band bang-turned yesterday on the Rochambeau to-day. of 347 East Fifty-seventh street re- sailing orders were withheld until late to his wife and two children, who had

been told he was dead.

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TWO U. S. BATTLESHIPS START

WARSHIPSSAIL AWAY QUICKLY **FROM NEW PORT**

Louisiana and New Hampshire Get Hurried Orders.

NAVY REFUSES TO .

TELL OF DESTINATION

Appeal for Warships Sent to the President for Decision.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10 .- Following arti-American demonstrations at New Utrecht avenue, he saw the child Vera Cruz the battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire sailed to-night from Newport, R. I., presumably for the Mexican port, which is the seat of the Carranza government.

Commander Luke McNamee, senior officer in charge of the gunboat squadron on the east coast of Mexico, reported to the Navy Department to-day everything that Gen. Scott has had to that anti-foreign sentiment was rapidly increasing and directed particularly against the United States.

ships be sent to Vera Cruz at once to impress the Mexicans with the purto afford due protection to the life and property of its citizens and foreigners

of the fruits of two years.

It is this determination to oppose the plan of the United States and the Latin plan of the United States and the

The Navy Department promptly or-dered the New Hampshire and Louisdered the New Hampshire and Louisiana to hold themselves in readiness
to leave for Vera Cruz, but, owing to
a reluctance on the part of the State
Department to make any show of
force in Mexican waters at this time, Bearing five wounds as souvenirs of a Department to make any show of

Wilson Orders Sniling.

"I heard my husband was killed sev- The matter was eventually referred to his own account. eral months ago but I never believed it." to President Wilson, and it is upon However blistered the hands of the wife said. "I expected him home the wife said. "I expected him home and Lieutenant-Governors and Lieutenant-Governors and Ambassadors might be they seemed a desperate fight in defence of what he has achieved in Mexico. It is predicted that the very day."

| Control of the wife said. "I expected him home and the wife said. "I expected him home the wife s Ambassadors might be they seemed have forsotten their pains and aches Graux was a member of the famous that was publicly known regarding the

"When I got out of the hospital they wanted me to stay and do office work. I could have got promotion to rank, but I told them I had come to fight and since I could fight no more I wanted to come back to America. I'm going to take a few weeks rest before I go to work again."

But Mrs. Graux did not seem so sure. She confessed that she feared her husband's mutilated thumb would prevent him from going had been taken and interpreted duarters here to-day. It resulted in the most elaborate mystery being built around the question of whether battle ships would be sent to Vera Cruz in response to Commander McNamee's request.

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The Navy Department promptly or dered the Louisiana and New Hampshire to get ready to go to Vera Cruz, but at the wish of the State Department, withheld the wish of the State Department, withheld the work of the State Department, withheld sailing orders for several hours.

Monday with a first call for reveille at 514 this morning. It may be completed to the 415 this big Connected that night connected the military instruction camp his morning in a fact the day so far as Private National Connected that night. The Prince Angainst Wilhelm. 275 Moleone, who is the Mayor's bunkie. Private Dudley Fleid Malone and one two others were connected was begun at 530 A. M.

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Mitchel Lusz Luszange.

Said military strategists had decided the night before that with a great part of Lake Champilati Just standing around the night of the connected that a connection of the same feeling. The fear is entertained here that with a second that the decided the night before that with a great part of Lake Champilati Just standing around a same begun at the night before that with a great part of Lake Champilati Just standing around the night of Lake Champilati Just standing around the night before that with a great part of Lake Champilati Just standing around the night of Lake Champilati Just standing around t Joseph di Giorgio, president of the Atlantic Fruit Company, is in San Francisco. Other officers of the company and officials of the Hamburg-American Line could not be reached last night.

The Prince August Wilhelm, 2,975 tons, is at Santa Marta, Colombia, and the Prince Joachim, 2,981 tons, is in the New York harbor. Both have been tied up since the beginning of the war.

Americans Are Threatened With Death in Vera Cruz

AS MEXICAN SITUATION CALLS

GALVESTON, Tex., Aug. 10.-There fall of Huerta have the lives of was serious anti-American rioting Americans been so endangered. in Vera Cruz this afternoon, according to despatches received here to-night. The rioting, during which American citizens were openly insulted and threatened with death, came after soldiers and civilians delivered flery speeches condemning Americans and the American policy toward establishing peace in Mexico.

In these speeches Mexicans were called upon to unite in driving the "Gringoes" from the country and taking their property. Cries of "Death to the Gringoes!" were It is doubted that he will take any heard in all quarters and foreigners have been appealing to the American Consul for protection.

The despatches declare that a party of Americans, including several women, were cursed and abused by Mexican soldiers who ordered them from the streets. Not since the outbreak preceding the

ernment in Mexico which can receive o'clock and both ships passed out the If this appeal is sent promptly after the conference to-morrow, it is expected the assembly will again disperse to await such responses as the Mexican leaders may make to it. A report was received at the War

Department to-day from Major-Gen. Scott, who is on the border talking over the situation with Gen. Villa. It is understood that Villa is agreeable to propose thus far

Carranza Won't Give In.

obdurate unless material concessions are made to him. Carranza insists that he does not intend to permit the United eigh Minister, replied that Argentina States or any other Power to rob him was taking part with the intention of

not hesitate to call into play the feelings men who have caused the most trouble of the Mexican people against outside for Mexico.

The Constitutional Government claims

ceeded in embarrassing the Administra-

WILSON BACK TO WASHINGTON

Advices are that Americans have prepared to remain as close together as possible in an endeavor to ward off an attack which they expect from Mexicans to-night.

The despatches declare that Gen. Carranga has done nothing toward quelling the demonstration, which was said to be against whatever action the Pan-American peace conference may take to-morrow. Carranza was acquainted with the disturbances this afternoon and asked to prevent further outbreaks. action in the matter.

[The last despatch received yesterday by THE SUN from its correspondent in Vera Cruz said that the residents of the city were friendly to the Americans there. The cable message had probably

CARRANZA SEES WAR. U. S. Interference in Mexico May

Cause Conflict, He Says. BUENOS AYRES, Aug. 10 .- A message from Gen. Carranza was received to-day by President de la Plaza, in which the First Chief says that if the Pan-American Conference should decide to interfere in Mexico an unpardonable error would be committed. He adds:

reasing and directed particularly carranza Won't Give In.

"Argentina has made herself an accomplice in a crime against our race known, is going to prove exceedingly which possibly may help to bring on war between two American nation

ENVOYS ON U. S. SHIP. Carranza Claims Diplomats Have

The presumption is that Carranza will Government said Cardoza was one of the

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BE AT CAPITAL IN 48 HOURS

Is Hopeful Drastic Action by U. S. Will Not Be Necessary.

IS SET FOR FRIDAY Wilson Anxious for Conference Plan in Face of Trou-

ble at Vera Cruz.

CABINET MEETING

CORNISH, N. H., Aug. 10 .- President Wilson will return to Washington within forty-eight hours and he is hopeful that no drastic action by the United States will be necessary for the protection of Americans in Vera Cruz before that

The most definite instructions given to Secretary of State Lansing and Secretary of the Navy Daniels in the communications sent to them by the President to-day were that every effort be made to secure adequate information regarding conditions in Vera Cruz, which Commander McNamee had regarded as justifying his request that a squadron of battleships be ordered

It is the earnest hope of the Presi dent that opportunity will be given for a consideration of the important questions involved in the request for battleships at Friday's Cabinet meeting. The President took no one here into

his confidence to-day in regard to the

course he has directed Secretary of

the Navy Daniels to take in response to Commander McNamee's request. Through a member of the Presiden tial party at Harlakenden House, the President's summer home, Mr. Wilson formation would be given out here and sterference in their affairs and turn it is known account.

It is known now that Carranza plans desperate fight in defence of what he desperate fight in defence of what he other person had opportunity to submit a request for information to the

ENVOYS MEET TO-DAY.

Mexicans in This City Look for War With U. S.

The Latin American diplomats who are to confer at the Hotel Biltmore today with Secretary of State Lansing on the Mexican situation began to arrive in this city vesterday afternoon.

The fact that Commander McNamee's The fact that Commander McN